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FM AMEMBASSY ADDIS ABABA
TO AMEMBASSY DAR ES SALAAM PRIORITY
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DAR ES SALAAM FOR HAM

DEPT FOR AF/EX

E.O. 11652 N/A
TAGS: CASC, APER (HAM, BRADFORD W.)
SUBJECT: HAM VISIT TO ETHIOPIA

REF: DAR ES SALAAM 3942

1. ON BASIS REFTEL WE ARE PROCEEDING TO SEEK CONFIRMATION
FROM MOFA THAT THERE WILL BE NO PROBLEM WITH HAM'S RETURN.

2. RE QUALIFICATIONS FOR MARRIAGE, FACT THAT HAM HAS COPY
OF DIVORCE DECREE ANSWERS OUR QUESTION. ONLY OTHER QUALIFI-
CATION IS RESIDENCE IN ETHIOPIA FOR ONE YEAR AND THAT OF
COURSE POSES NO PROBLEM.

3. WE THOUGHT WE HAD MADE IT AS CLEAR AS WE CAN THAT THERE
IS NO RPT NO POSSIBILITY THAT THIS EMBASSY WILL APPROVE HAM
TRIP TO ASMARA FOR ANY PURPOSE NOR ASSIST HIM IN GETTING
THERE.

4. WE ANTICIPATE NO PROBLEM WITH AIRPORT VISA AND WOULD
EXPECT HAVE SOMEONE FROM EMBASSY AT AIRPORT TO MEET HAM
WHEN HE COMES.

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5. GIVEN THINGS AZIEB MUST STILL DO, WE STRONGLY RECOM-
MEND THAT HAM DELAY HIS ARRIVAL HERE UNTIL AFTER OCT 21.
AZIEB MUST COMPLETE HER PHYSICAL, ARRANGE FOR EFFECTS AND DAUGHTER
TO COME TO ADDIS AND DAUGHTER MUST THEN ALSO UNDERGO
PHYSICAL. THEREFORE UNLESS HAM WISHES OTHERWISE, WE SHALL
TELL HER TO RETURN TO ASMARA AS SOON AS HER PHYSICAL IS COM-

PLETED HERE AND BEGIN MAKING ARRANGEMENTS TO RETURN HERE ASAP
THEREAFTER. HAM PLEASE COMMENT. HAM SHOULD CLEARLY UNDER-
STAND THAT HER FINAL DEPARTURE FROM ASMARA MAY TAKE SOME TIME,
SINCE IT IS AT THAT POINT THAT SHE WILL PROBABLY HAVE TO GET
CLEARANCES TO LEAVE ETHIOPIA, AND THE EMBASSY'S ABILITY TO
HELP HER IS GOING TO BE VERY LIMITED SINCE THAT WILL BE A
MATTER BETWEEN EPMG AND ONE OF ITS OWN CITIZENS. MOREOVER AS
WE HAVE POINTED OUT BEFORE, COMMUNICATION BETWEEN ADDIS
AND ASMARA IS SOMEWHERE BETWEEN DIFFICULT AND NEXT TO
IMPOSSIBLE. SITUATION FURTHER COMPLICATED BY LANGUAGE
PROBLEM. NONETHELESS, WE WILL DO WHATEVER WE CAN TO BE
HELPFUL IF NEED ARISES.

6. FOR HAM AND DAR ES SALAAM: WHILE HAM IS PREPARED
RISK HIS CLEARANCES, IT DOES SEEM TO US THAT USEFUL WORK
IN CONNECTION WITH 3 FAM 629 CAN BE DONE WHILE HAM IS
STILL IN DAR IF THIS NOT ALREADY DONE. SPECIFICALLY,
WE SUGGEST HAM COMPLETE AND FORWARD TO WASHINGTON
DIRECTLY NOTICE REQUIRED BY 3 FAM 629 1-2 (A), AND THAT
HAM AND EMBASSY DAR GET TOGETHER ON 3 FAM 629 1-2 (C).
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